

## **Nuckolls County Board Minutes**



## JULY 23, 2012 PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUCKOLLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Monday, July 23, 2012 in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of July 16, 2012. Combs, Corman and Brown present for the meeting. The agenda of said meeting was remitted to board members in advance of the meeting and is posted in the County Clerk's office and on the County Website. Combs announced the 'Open Meetings Act Law' as posted in the Commissioners Board Meeting Room and handouts are available.

The board reconvened at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Combs approved the agenda and the July 16, 2012 minutes as submitted. Also present for the meeting is Chuck Mittan of the Superior Express.

Gary Warren, Highway Superintendent and Cindy Buescher, Executive Secretary met with the Board to give an update on the current activities of the County Road Department. Warren noted there are still some of the motorgraders out on the county roads. Warren updated the Board on Project C-65(333) located in Section 21, T1N-R8W (Bostwick Precinct) and it has been staked out. Warren noted that Loren Drohman has purchased gravel, however they would like to take out the small bridge and replace it with a tube before Drohman adds the gravel. This has been on the 1&6 Year Plan for a number of years. Project C-65 (526), located between Sections 25 & 26, T4N-R6W (Sherman Precinct). Gary Kubicek has requested to have the road department take out some of the sand on Road V. Warren noted that he has been talking with Nirma regarding the incident with the hoist in the Nelson Shop. Nirma will be paying approximately \$2,500.00 for replacement on the hoist. The County Road will pour the cement for the new hoist in exchange for the \$500.00 deductable. Warren has been checking on prices and specs for a new hoist. He has found one at Hamilton Services in Aurora, Nebraska for \$7,150.00. The hoist is a Symmetrical, Rotary. Discussion was held regarding the \$7,150.00 being added to the new budget. The claim check from Nirma will go back into the Road Department's Revenue. Warren noted the #2 Motorgrader had sheered off the flywheel bolts. They are in the process of replacing the flywheel and will also replace the water pump while they have the motorgrader torn apart. Warren will keep having the weeds sprayed around bridges and guardrails on the county roads. Warren updated the Board on several other small projects within the county.

A motion was made by Combs and seconded by Brown to approve the Easement Request by South Central Public Power to run an electrical line under a county road and in the county road ditch located between Section 2 & 11, T4N-R7W (Liberty Precinct). Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Vicki Ensign & Royce Gonzales, the Budget Making Authority met briefly with the Board. They submitted the preliminary budget to the Board for review. They will be having budget talks with Elected Officials and Department Heads on August 6, 2012. Ensign noted that the General Fund will need 92,000.00, the Road Fund will need \$32,000.00 and the Civil Defense Fund will need \$2,000.00 in tax dollars as it stands now. However due to a project not getting done that had been budgeted last year, the County needs to cut approximately \$400,000.00 out of the budget. The Board gave the Road Department the challenge of finding where they can cut from and report back on the 6<sup>th</sup> of August. Last fiscal year the levy was at .35 cents of \$100 of valuation, at this time it looks like the county will need to lower the levy amount to .33 cents of \$100 of valuation. It was noted the project that was budgeted for last year will still need to be done.

Susan Rogers, County Assessor and Darrel Stanard, of Stanard Appraisal Services met with the Board to request the County Board Chairman to sign the Maintenance Agreement for the Assessor's office for the



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period of September 1, 2012 to August 31, 2013 and the Contract for Appraisal Services for the reappraisal of the towns of Nelson and Lawrence. Both Contracts were approved at the Bid letting on July 2, 2012. Rogers noted that County Attorney, Tim Schmidt has reviewed and signed the Contract for Appraisal Services. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to authorize Chairman Combs to sign both contracts. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to authorize Chairman Combs to sign the purchase order for a new dome to the vertical lift that had been damaged by Versatile Roofing when they were re-shingling the courthouse roof. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Combs to authorize the Chairman to sign the Audit Engagement Letter by Contryman Associates P.C. for the 2011/2012 County Audit. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to approve the amount of \$4,500.00 for the support of Mind Nebraska Individual Services for the 2012/2013 fiscal year. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting was recessed at 9:58 a.m. until Monday, August 6, 2012.

Michael D. Combs, Chairman By: Jackie L. Kassebaum, County Clerk